

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1143

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rachel Nichole Dunlap,
2008 Valedictorian of Oliver Springs High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Dunlap is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Oliver Springs High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Dunlap has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rachel Dunlap has earned an exemplary 4.1 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular activities, such as Student Council, Upward Bound, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Bible Club, Spanish Club, softball, and cheerleading, of which she was captain; and

WHEREAS, her academic prowess has been duly recognized by her receipt of numerous awards and accolades, including several departmental awards, induction into the National Society of High School Scholars and National Beta Club; the Student Athlete Award of Merit for softball and cheerleading; the Applied Physics Award from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; winning first place in the Poster Symposium from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; and participation in the UT Pro2serve Math Contest, Girls State, the Roane County Academic Festival, the Roane County Math Contest, and the UT Art Academy for High School Students; and

WHEREAS, despite her busy schedule, Rachel Dunlap still finds time to donate her time and talents to many praiseworthy causes; and

WHEREAS, Rachel's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Dunlap's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Amelia and Joel Dunlap, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Dunlap's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Oliver Springs High School Valedictorian, Rachel Nichole Dunlap, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.